



BRIEFING: ADM Adjustment

Goal:

To provide sufficient monies to fund an effective system of public education in the State.

Status:

The State Public School Fund is currently short \$360 million of the legislatively required level of funding.

Recommendation:

Obtain budget legislation to eliminate the ADM adjustment (also called the discretionary cut or negative reserve).

Data:

- 2012-13 – LEAs returned \$359,738,508
 - 4,289 classroom teachers
 - 55 principal/assistant principals
 - 444 Voc Ed teachers
 - 217 instructional support personnel
 - 10% classroom materials
 - 8% teacher assistants
- 2013-14 – requirement would rise to \$376,124,279

Issue:

Public Schools are insufficiently funded to carry out their mission of educating the State's children per legislatively directed funding formulas.

Main Points:

1. 2012-13 is the fourth consecutive year that public schools have had to return a significant portion of their budgets to the State
2. This trend will continue until the General Assembly eliminates the ADM adjustment